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1. FOREIGN OFFICE 1ST EAST EUROPE DIVDIR TOGO APRIL 18
GAVE EMBOFF GOJ COMMENTS ON AGENDA/OUTLINE TRANSMITTED
REFTEL FOR SOVIET EXPERTS TALKS, APOLOGIZING FOR DELAY.
TOGO THOUGHT AGENDA BASICALLY WAS VERY GOOD, BUT WISHED
TO PROPOSE SOME CHANGES IN SUGGESTED JAPANESE PRESENTATION
ON SIBERIA. PURPOSE OF CHANGES WAS TO TAKE BEST ADVANTAGE
OF JAPANESE EXPERTISE IN CERTAIN FIELDS, I.E., ENERGY
DEVELOPMENT, WHILE REASSIGNING TO U.S. SPOKESMEN OPENING
PRESENTATION ON TOPICS CLEARLY WITHIN OUR PURVIEW, I.E.,
U.S. POLICY TOWARD SIBERIAN DEVELOPMENT.
2. JAPANESE WOULD PLAN TO PRESENT ONE PAPER RATHER THAN
TWO, ALTHOUGH DISCUSSION PRESUMABLY WOULD EXTEND OVER TWO
FULL SESSIONS AT AIRLIE HOUSE, AS ENVISIONED REFTTEL.
PAPER WOULD BE ORGANIZED ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

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- I. SOVIET PLANS FOR SIBERIAN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT.
- A. ENERGY RESOURCES -- PRESENT STATE OF EXPLOITATION,
AND PROSPECTS: 1.OIL. 2.NATURAL GAS. 3.COKING COAL.
- B. TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT. (EMPHASIS WOULD BE ON
BAM RAILWAY, BUT ALL MAJOR ELEMENTS OF SIBERIAN TRANSPORT
NETWORK WOULD BE ADDRESSED.)

-- II. JAPAN-U.S. COOPERATION IN SIBERIAN DEVELOPMENT.

-- A. GOJ POLICY TOWARD JAPANESE PARTICIPATION IN
SIBERIAN DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

-- B. CURRENT JAPANESE ACTIVITY AND FUTURE PROJECT
POSSIBILITIES.

-- C. SIGNIFICANCE, PRESENT AND POTENTIAL, OF JAPANESE
INVOLVEMENT IN SIBERIA IN TERMS OF OVERALL JAPANESE
TRADE.

3. JAPANESE WOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS OTHER ISSUES AS
WELL, INCLUDING NON-ENERGY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, AND
PROBLEMS IN DEVELOPMENT, I.E., LABOR. TOGO RECOGNIZED
FOREGOING WOULD REQUIRE SOME REWRITING OF OUTLINE FOR U.S.
PRESENTATION, PARTICULARLY PAPER ON ENERGY PROSPECTS, BUT
THOUGHT JAPANESE WERE IN POSITION TO MAKE SIGNIFICANT
CONTRIBUTION TO DISCUSSION OF THAT LARGE ISSUE. PART II
OF TOGO PAPER IS BASICALLY SAME AS FINAL JAPANESE PRESENTA-
TION REFTEL, MINUS SUBJECT OF U.S. POLICY AND STATUS OF
U.S. INVOLVEMENT.

4. TOGO WOULD WELCOME DEPARTMENT VIEWS ON FOREGOING. HE
ASSUMED PAPERS WOULD BE EXCHANGED IN ADVANCE AND WOULD
APPRECIATE KNOWING APPROXIMATE DEADLINE. MANSFIELD
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